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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of :
H. K. TANAKA ET AL. : Confirmation No. 7253
Serial No.: 09/868,256 : Group Art Unit: 1619
Filed: June 15, 2001 : Examiner: Gina C. Yu

For : Transparent Skin Care Compositions

AMENDMENT

Box Patent Application
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments for the above-identified application. Upon entry of this amendment, Claims 1, 2, and 4-10 are pending in the application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Insert the following paragraph after the title and before the paragraph entitled "FIELD":

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION(S)

B1 This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/868,256, filed June 15, 2001, which is a 371 of PCT/US98/27228, filed December 22, 1998.--

At page at page 2, lines 26-28, second paragraph under **Detailed Description** should read:

B2 --All percentages, ratios, and levels of ingredients referred to herein are based on the actual total weight of the composition, unless otherwise indicated.--

IN THE CLAIMS

B3 1. A transparent skin care composition comprising:

- (a) from about 0.001 to about 5.0% of a surfactant combination comprising i), ii), and iii) wherein i) is a polyoxyethylene sorbit tetraalkyl ester, ii) is a polyoxyethylene castor oil ester and/or polyoxyethylene hydrogenated castor oil ester; and iii) is a polyoxyethylene alkyl phosphate or salts;
 - (b) from about 0.001 to about 5.0% of an oil compound;
 - (c) from about 0.01 to about 10% of a polyhydric alcohol; and
 - (d) from about 60 to about 99.8% of water;
- wherein the oil compound is substantially solubilized in the transparent skin care composition.